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Who has the right of way, man or beast, where city and country meet? In recent years wild boars, sporting razor-sharp incisors and reaching nearly 500 pounds, have become an increasing menace in metropolitan areas. Four days on the trail across the River from New Orleans make the case.

Going Hog Wild

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The Three Little Pigs of your childhood is a cute story, but 15 wild hogs in your neat little suburban neighborhood can get ugly.

That's the number of sows, shoats and boars Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry trappers Paul Dupree and Billy Conlay trapped in the heavily-populated New Orleans suburb of Harahan in early June.

The trappers are with the Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry's Livestock Brand Commission which is responsible for pursuing livestock and farm equipment thieves and trapping nuisance animals. Their trapping work involves those animals that endanger people, livestock, pasture and farmland. Wild hogs, coyotes and beaver are the most common nuisances in rural, urban and suburban Louisiana.

Jefferson Parish officials asked for the trappers' help with a problem that is increasing across Louisiana where the city encroaches on the country.

Dupree is from Red River Parish whose parish seat is Natchitoches. There, wild hogs are fairly common and getting more so each year. Dupree is one of the department's experts at trapping hogs.

Of the species of animals the trappers are called on to control

in their work, wild hogs, because of their size and willingness to attack humans if cornered, are different than coyotes and beavers.

Most folks don't realize that pigs (both male and female) grow tusks; big, pointy, dagger-like incisors, three-inches long in males and smaller in females, that can inflict serious damage to a pet dog's tender underbelly or a human's meaty calf. Also, most folks don't realize that there are uncounted and increasing num-



Randall Dupree

bers of sounders, or packs of feral pigs, roaming Louisiana's suburban and rural landscape.

"Jefferson Parish asked us to come in and catch coyotes because they are not equipped to catch them and when they catch them they don't know what to do with them. So for the last couple of years we've been going down to help them on their coyote problem," Dupree said.

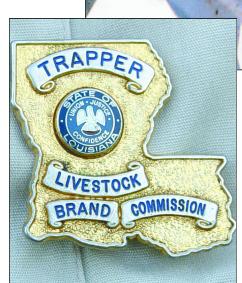
"This time, though, we couldn't catch the coyotes for the wild hogs. The hogs were tripping our snares we were setting for the coyotes. So we started setting snares for the hogs and in four

days we caught 15," Dupree said. How a sounder of wild pigs got to New Orleans is a mystery that won't easily be solved.

The hogs took up residence on the west bank near the Mississippi River levee by the Huey P. Long bridge that crosses the River into Metairie.

"We're talking about nearly under the bridge," Dupree said. "There's a heliport and sand pits there and people are walking right by them. That big boar hog (450 pounds) was laid up 20 feet from the edge of the mowed surface. No telling how many people walk by them every day. The top of the levee is blacktopped. There's a subdivision and businesses across the road from the levee.

"The people use the levee for a walkway. They walk their dogs and ride bikes and run and exercise," he said.



"While we were out there, there were people walking all times of the day and night."

Dupree's theory is that hunters are the likely source of the hogs.

"These hogs have always been wild," Dupree said as he pointed to a photograph of a 450-pound boar taken along the Harahan riverbank. "Where he comes from, I don't know. He either comes from up or down the river.

"There's hog hunters out there that'll catch them and turn them loose in a hunting club lease, but a hog will wander."

Dupree said the pigs most likely migrated from the Jefferson Parish landfill to feed on the early summer wild mulberries growing in the woods along the western river road.

Or they might have even come from the river, he said.

"Water don't bother them. They'll swim the river. That A 450-pound boar and his extended family were making themselves right at home near the Huey P. Long bridge connecting Harahan and Avondale. LDAF trappers are responsible for nuisance animal control.

might have been what these hogs did down here," Dupree speculated. "They just swam that river and found them a nice little place where they eat. After the berries are gone, they'll probably leave. They're not going to stay if there's nothing to eat."

But wherever they came from, Dupree knew the area was experiencing an exponential growth in the hog population.

"We were driving in from Avondale around 6 p.m. and saw a whole herd of pigs eating the mulberries on the easement of Highway 90 near the foot of the bridge," Dupree said. "All it's going to take is a hog that's going to jump across the middle of the road and cause a major accident."

"The area is known as Waggaman," said Bert Smith, director of the Jefferson Parish Animal Shelter. "It's a real pretty

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The right calf of LDAF employee Leslie Tassin who encountered an angry boar 40 years ago.

A cutting machine

Boars have prominent tusks (Sows have much smaller ones.) that never stop growing. The upper jaws have the stumpier "whetters"; the lower jaws the long, outwardly projecting "cutters". The whetters (as in whetstone) constantly shear the edge of the cutters making them razor sharp weapons that can fatally puncture an opponent or easily slice through a 3-inch tree root. The cutters are often worn or broken during fighting or rooting, but renew themselves with continuous growth and sharpening. When you see an agitated boar popping his jaws and foaming at the mouth he is actively honing his most lethal weapon. Hunters who hunt with dogs fear the 1.5- to 3-inch tusks more than they do the longer ones. While they are all deadly weapons, the shorter teeth are often sharper and placed at just the right angle to do maximum damage.

-From the Suwannee River Ranch website (http://www.suwanneeriverranch.com/), a 400-acre hunting facility in LaFayette County, Florida. Anne Carney, MD, researcher

Masked marauders living in City Park

Little masked bandits are taking over City Park in New Orleans, but police are letting the muggers off Scot free.

These criminals are getting a pass because the tiny beasts are not robbing park visitors, but freeloading on the good graces of local residents and causing a big stir in the process. These panhandlers are raccoons demanding food.

Dozens of the furry critters are overrunning the park and have become increasingly aggressive in their search for groceries.

The raccoons have become a dangerous attraction said park spokeswoman Beth McFarland. Suburbanites have created the problem by trapping the critters in their neighborhoods and releasing them into the park where other city dwellers feed the little rascals, she said.

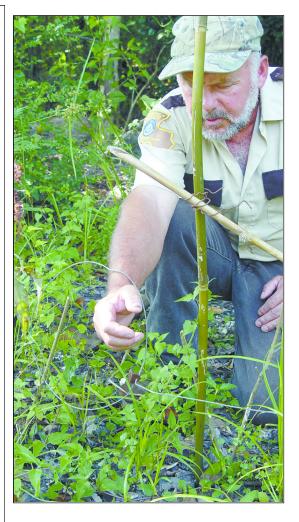
"It relates to urban sprawl," said Dr. Martha Littlefield, the LDAF's assistant state veterinarian. "We're taking over their natural habitats and decreasing our buffer zone."

Littlefield acknowledged that raccoons are cute but are still wild animals. "They carry rabies, the most feared disease above all historically," she said. "They are wild animals and should not be fed or domesticated in any way.

"Imagine the trauma, especially to a child who might be bitten in the face by a wild raccoon or on the hand and would have to be treated for rabies," said Littlefield.

Officials estimate a \$300 million public health bill from 20,000 to 40,000 people who are exposed to rabies annually in the United States.

The simple solution? "Don't feed wild animals, and don't pet them," Littlefield said.



LDAF trapper Robert Hancock demonstrates a snare trap (above). Trapper Phil Johnson and landowner Jimmy Wade prepare a cage trap on Wade's property in Concordia Parish (left), with boar inside (right).





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area and that's where all the new about eight feet long and 1/8 inch nered or protecting their young. ing place."

Dupree said he knew the pigs were sizable because they were strong enough to yank the coyote snare's earth anchors out of the

Dupree and Conlay adjusted their strategy and began setting the snares along the numerous pig trails they found and attaching the cables to trees instead of using earth anchors.

Hog snare traps are steel cables

subdivision development is tak- in diameter. The trapper hangs it But Dupree was concerned for from a tree at varying heights and fashions a loop at the business end of the trap using a simple sliding lock; a heavy-duty washer. When the animal walks through it, the loop quickly slides down on the animal and tightens.

Wild pigs are omnivores, meaning they eat a combination of meat and vegetative matter and are generally peaceful. However, they are still wild animals and can attack when threatened, cor-

the neighborhood children when he saw the amount of hog and human activity commingled in

"Kids had playhouses in the woods and one sow had six piglets bedded up right under one," he said. "That's pretty dangerous for the people."

Perhaps the most dangerous pig in the area was a 450-pound boar with three-inch tusks that proved to be untrappable.

Dupree described the kill.

too smart or too big for the snares," he said. "We found the trails. We know what to look for. We just found him holed up in a cane thicket. He was barely 20 steps from the mowed right-ofway of the levee. No telling how many people walk by there every day." Dupree killed the boar with his department-issued rifle.

Pigs are prolific reproducers and generally have two litters a year. Since they can survive on a

variety of food sources and are "He was loose. He was either extremely clever and mobile they can soon become a nuisance in any area, including an urban landscape.

In four days of hunting, the LDAF trappers took 15 pigs, including the big 450-pound boar and four piglet-producing sows each weighing in at 250 pounds.

"We cured a problem that was fixing to get bad," Dupree said. "They didn't even realize they had a pig problem and we just stumbled upon it."

Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

The Louisiana Pecan Growers Association honored Louisiana Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom with the organization's Lifetime Achievement Award at their June 2004 convention held in Baton Rouge.

Frances Knox, president of the grower's association, presented Odom with the award.

"Mr. Odom has supported us whenever we needed him," Knox said. "Every time I've called on recognition for the good he's done. him, he's been there for us."

Gary Haggart, owner of the Company Farm Pecan Grove in Baskin said Odom recognizes that the pecan crop is a very important commodity to Louisiana's farm economy.

"We've felt that he's always treated pecans equal to any other commodity in the state," Haggart said. "We wanted him to receive

It's a very prestigious award."

The Lifetime Achievement Award has only been issued three times in the group's 78-year histo-

Clarice Williams, a pecan grower from Newellton in Tensas Parish and John Lowe, a retired Caddo Parish ag agent, received the award previously.

The Louisiana Pecan Grower's

Association is based in Bossier City and has 160 members. It was started in 1926. Its primary purpose is to serve the pecan growers by providing current information for tree care and other issues.

More than 7,000 state producers harvested 17.5 million pounds of pecans in 2003. The total gross farm value was more than \$15 mil-

"I'm proud to be of help to the

pecan growers of this state," Odom said. "They produce a valuable historical, cultural and agricultural commodity that gives identity to Louisiana and helps the bottom line of our agricultural economy.

"I'm honored to win this award and flattered that they chose me. I look forward to working with all of the pecan growers in years to come."

CATTLE

No grade sires listed in the interest of better livestock. All dairy cattle 20 mos. of age, beef cattle 24 mos. of age, or pasturient or post pasturient animals of any age offered for sale, except for immediate slaughter, must have valid 30-day negative brucellosis test certificate. Contact La. Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry, P.O. Box 1951, Baton Rouge, La. 70821-

REMINDER: Have all of your heifer calves between four and 12 months of age vaccinated against brucellosis. For information contact your local veterinarian LDAF animal health personnel, parish Cattlemen's Association or parish Farm

Reg. Shorthorn bulls, weaning age, roans & reds, \$700/1. Jerry Epperson, Baker; (225) 654-5881.

Reg. blk. Angus bulls, 8 mos., \$600/1. Clinton Breland, Angie; (985) 848-9213.

Reg. blk. Angus, (4) open heifers, \$1000/1; (4) bred heifers, \$1500/1; (12) bulls, 2 yrs., \$1700-\$2200. Buck Maurin, Hammond; (985) 345-3726.

Reg. pb polled Char. bulls, 15 mos., \$1000; heifers, \$650. Anthony Pitt, Scott; (337) 232-2452.

Reg. BBU Beefmaster bulls, ready for service, \$850/1-up; (2) reg. BBU blk. bulls, \$2000/1. Gaston Gerald, Greenwell Springs; (225) 654-8816.

- (9) Brangus heifers, exposed to bull in Feb., \$825/1; (1) reg. Brangus bull, \$1450. Scarlet Losavio, Innis; (225) 492-3468.
- (25) Brangus heifers, home grown, 16-18 mos., been w/bull since May '04, \$700/1. K. C. Robinson, Leesville; (337) 238-
- (4) Char. heifers, polled, all from reg. stock, 6-10 mos., \$500-\$600/1. Ronnie Montgomery, Kaplan: (337) 643-8362.
- (120) Brangus heifers, w/LBW Angus bulls, since 3/15/04, brucellosis vacc., all shots, gentle, \$800. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355.
- (5) Holstein heifers, 15 mos., all shots, \$4500. Norris Graves, Bogalusa; (985) 735-1816.

Reg. Char. bull, 31 mos., polled, top bloodline, gentle, calf to show, \$1800. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

Reg. Char. bulls, \$1500/1-up; reg. Char. heifers, \$800/1-up. Ridley Chauvin, Raceland; (985) 537-6954 or (985) 804-2594.

Reg. polled Hereford bulls, 14-22 mos., excel. EPD's, very gentle, LBW, high wean. weight, \$800/1up; heifers, \$700/1; cow/calf prs., \$1200. Wesley Coffman, Leesville; (337) 239-2255.

Reg. Brangus bulls, 8 mos.-18 mos., \$1000-\$1500/1; (1) 2 1/2 yr. Gunner bull, reg. Brangus, \$2500. Francis Young, Mamou; (337) 468-

Reg. polled pb Char. heifers, 7-9 mos., \$700/1-up; 13-15 mo. bulls, \$1100/1-up, excel. EPD's. Louis Quave, Bush; (985) 886-5557 or Peter Feringa, Covington; (985)

Reg. Char., 34 yrs. of Char. breeding, Duke, Tundra, Wallstreet & Sky Mon. Ease, cert. herd, bulls 13-26 mos., \$1200/1-up; heifers, \$850/1-up. Ivy Guillot, Sr., Marksville; (318) 253-8300.

Beautiful, young, gentle Braford bull, 7 mos., out of LSU show stock, will trade for heifer or cow of same quality. Mary Scherer, Dry Prong; (318) 899-1391.

Reg. Char. bulls, ready for service, gentle, big, stout, clean & tested, Big Sky & Budsmydad breeding, cert. herd, \$1500/1-up. Walter Lemoine, Marksville; (318) 253-

- (2) Pb F1 Tiger stripe yrlg. heifers, vacc., all shots up to date, \$700/1- up; (2) 3/4 Hereford, 1/4 Brahman yrlg. heifers, vacc. all shots up to date, \$700/1-up; (3) reg. Hereford bulls, 12 mos. & older, vacc., all shots up to date, \$700/1-up. Jason Guidry, Abbeville; (337) 898-2119.
- 2 Yr. Bradford heifer, w/blk. bull calf, \$1000; reg. Braford show heifer, 13 mos., show last yr., \$1200. Larry Duhon, Kaplan; (337) 652-6200.

Reg. Simm. & Simbrah cattle, heifers, bulls & prs., \$550/1-up. B. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 922-4504.

Reg. Texas Longhorns, modern deep bodied cattle, w/lots of color, bloodlines & horn, (2) 2 yr. cow/calf prs., (1) blk. & wh., both have heifer calves sired by Trophy by Tobasco, \$1600/all. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

Reg. blk. Angus bulls & heifers, 15-17 mos., cert. brucellosis free herd, bulls semen tested, \$1000/1up. M. J. Herbert, Youngsville; (337) 856-4277.

Reg. Brangus bull, gentle, easy calving, calves to show, must see to appreciate, \$1800. James Masters, Jonesboro; (318) 259-7747.

Red Angus x Brahman, (20) yrlg. heifers, 5/16 Brahman, raised on grass w/no creep, broke to single strand elec. fence, 600-700 lbs., \$650/1-up. Stuart Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.

Red Brangus cow herd reduction, (40) plus head for sale, some prs., most 1/2 or 3/8 Brahman, LBW, wean. 500 lb. calves on grass, ranch raised on grass & elec. fence, functional, \$800-\$1295/1 or pr. Francine Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.

(20) Pr. crossbred cows, w/calves, 4-7 yrs., some bred back to Angus bull, \$700/1-up. Kurt Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 473-3041.

Reg. Brangus bulls, breeding age, \$975/1-up; Brangus cows & heifers. Chip Durand, Martinville; (337) 394-4008.

Beefmaster bull, 6 yrs., calves to show, \$1200. Steve Anderson, Abita Springs: (985) 892-6761.

- (10) Uniform cert. F-1 brindle heifers, avg. age 17 mos., avg. 800 lbs., synchronized & bred to LBW blk. bulls, to calve Feb. '05, \$1200/1 if all taken. Tommy Trahan, Berwik; (985) 395-4994 or (985) 759-4994.
- (4) Brangus prs., large calves, extra nice cattle, \$1300; (4) exposed heifers, \$1000; reg. Brangus bull, 2 yrs., \$2000. Frank Boggs, Sr., Sugartown; (337) 328-

Pb Beefmaster bulls, 6-14 mos., \$600-\$650/1. Waldo Thibodeaux, Lafayette; (337) 235-4587 or (337) 332-3531.

Polled Simm. bulls, solid colors, reds or blks., good EPD's or heifers, very gentle, all shots, wormed, 9 mos.-2 yrs., \$550/1-up. Harold Landreneau, Eunice; (337)

Braford bull, 4 yrs., proven breeder, recent satisfactory breeding soundness exam (semen check) \$2200. Charles Gill, Baton Rouge; (225) 751-9779.

Reg. Angus heifer, 10 mos., Traveler blood on top, Scotchcap on bottom, \$800. Tim Veillon, Lake Charles; (337) 477-9708.

(2) Roping steers, \$350/1. Alain Flexer, Franklinton; (985) 789-

Large selection of Gelbvieh bulls, all ages, \$900/1-up. Homer Knost, Clinton; (225) 683-8044.

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Wanted: cheap bull calves, any age or variety, cheap emus, goats, pigs, etc. Mary Lee Wood, Bush; (985) 875-0071.

Wanted: Guernsey, Jersey or Holstein nurse cow, preferably bred or with calf, reasonably priced. Ernest Tauzin, Breaux Bridge; (337) 332-6912.

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2003 AQHA stud colt, 15 mos., bay star, 4 blk. stocking, Zydeco Pudden, Pudden's Blue Boy, Puddenhead, Spirit Lightin Bar, Tells Golden Skippa, Mr. Stoney Bar, Just to Impress, \$1500. Robert P. Charpentier, Roanoke; (337) 753-2321 or (337) 249-3938.

2002 MFT blue papered golden pal. geld., w/wh. tail & mane, gentle, halter broke, \$1000. Felix Brown, Bastrop; (318) 281-9339.

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AQHA '04 colt, sorrel w/small

heart shaped star, halter broke, easy to handle, good bloodlines, \$600 neg. Jim Thompson, Springfield; luckyt@charter.net or (225) 294-7976.

AQHA chestnut mare, Zips Chocolate Chip, Doc Bar, Page Steel, Doc Bar bloodline, outstanding filly w/winning bloodline, \$2500. J. Thompson, Springfield; luckyt@charter.net, (225) 294-7976.

AQHA chestnut colt, out of a ROM money earner racing mare, Dash for Cash & a Cow bred stallion, Page Steel, w/champ. bloodlines, big boned, very nicely built, awesome racing & stallion prospect, \$3000. Patti Thompson, Springfield; luckyt@charter.net, (225) 294-7976.

Reg. Thoroughbred mare, in foal to AQHA stallion for 4/05, foal will be incentive fund eligible, \$700. P. Thompson, Springfield; luckyt@charter.net, (225) 294-7976.

7 Yr. sorrel geld., 17 hands, very stocky build, \$1000 obo; 7 yr. chestnut mare, 15.1 hands, nicely built, both horses current on all vacc., both haven't been ridden much over the last year, both are sound & sane, \$1300. Barbara Colona, Amite; (985) 748-4577.

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2003 AQHA stallion, born Feb. 1, chestnut w/blaze, Scooter Tyroan, Tanquery Gin, Kay's Beaver, Two ID Silky Suzy, Missy's Super Jack, halter broke, gentle, \$2000. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

2003 AQHA geld., halter broke, gentle, Doc Bar, Dry Doc, Dry Doc 23, Poco Lena, Two-Eyed Jack, \$1500. Justin Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

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QH geld., 14 yrs., kid's horse, very gentle, current on all vacc. & wormings, \$1400. Lynn Hebert, Jennings; (337) 824-0394 or (337) 224-3302.

to cut & rope cattle, very gentle, anyone can ride, Doc Goldwood, Leo's Silver, King's Cloud, Silvers Trumpet, \$3000; '03 AQHA colt, chestnut w/blaze, 4 stockings, green broke, gentle geld., King Hankins, King Trey Bar, Siz O'Lena, Bandinos Blondie, \$1000. L. Fontenot, Reeves; (337) 666-2798.

APHA 6 yr. blk. mare w/blk. & wh. filly, \$1200; yrlg. blk. & wh. overo stallion, \$1000. Willard Treme, DeQuincy; (337) 786-7304 or (337) 786-4447.

Spotted saddle horse, chestnut/wh. yrlg. stud colt, \$550; yrlg. reg. TW filly, \$1000; reg. TW mare, green broke, \$850 firm, others avail. Brad Vidrine, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4290.

Blk. mare mule, born 4/1/98, 15 hands, very gentle, green broke to work & ride, \$1500. John Wooley, Creston; (318) 875-2504.

AQHA 12 yr. sorrel Doc Bar mare, used for breeding, team sorting, team penning, trail riding, \$1800; AQHA 15 mos., Doc Bar, Peppy San Badger, Poco, Sands Gray filly, lots of potential for cutting, team sorting or penning, halter broke, \$800. Lisa Friedley, Livingston; (225) 698-9868.

1999 APHA, 15.1 hands, chestnut tovero mare, probably homozygous, green broke would make great barrel or hunter jumper prospect, \$2200. E. O'Quinn, Iowa; www.sunkissedfarm.com, (337) 588-4948.

1996 APHA "Rocket Wrangler" granddaughter, bay tobiano broodmare, outstanding pedigree, \$2200. L. Lyon, Welsh; www.sunkissedfarm.com, (337) 753-2590.

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MFT, 1 yr., pal. filly, very good

breeding, \$1000; MFT, very nice, 8 yrs., buckskin geld., lots of trail riding experience, \$2500. Jimmy Christmas, Bastrop; (318) 282-5555 or (318) 281-3765.

Reg TW mare, 7 yrs., blk., by '94 world grand champ., Gen's Armeel & Dangerous, \$1650. Jim Hanna, Pineville; (318) 640-7091 or (318) 640-4617.

Reg. TW geld., 6 yrs., rides & pulls, 3 seat carriage, wh. w/red velvet seats, fold down top, used for weddings, also shinny blk. harness, \$7000. Allen Thomas, Maurice; (337) 523-9846.

Reg. QH geld., 17 yr. bay, 15.3 hands, very well trained, has points in halter, hunter under saddle & western pleasure, gentle & sound, no vices, \$1650. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

3 Yr. geld., in training, \$1100. Allen Dugas, Sr., Tickfaw; (985) 542-0252.

2001 APHA beautiful wh., w/brown mare, tobiano/overo, gentle, rides well, \$1800. Jason Newchurch, Port Allen; jnewchurch@eprod.com or (225) 627-6653.

1994 AQHA big brown geld., roping & using horse, anyone can ride, \$5000 obo; '94 nice looking bay geld., using horse for cattle, anyone can ride, \$1500. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

2004 Colts & fillies, many colors, Smart Peppy's Playboy, Smart Peppy Doc, Freckles Playboy, Peponita, Doc Bar, Leo, Dry Doc, Peppy San Badger, Bandito's Peppy, Peppy San Puddenhead, Cutter Bill, Wimpy, Poco Lena, Poco Bueno, \$1000/1-up. Debra Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

1984 Reg. APHA mare, blk. tobiano, sire Special X, dam Sugar Talent Bar, \$600; '99 reg. APHA geld., green broke, Earl's Cash, sire by SKM Cash Hancock, dam Miss Skip N Glo, \$1200. Allen Heard, DeQuincy; (337) 786-8401.

7 Yr. light brown lineback, w/cross on shoulder, Donkey Jack, \$175 obo. Nelson Wiltz, Breaux Bridge; (337) 228-7288.

2003 AQHA sorrel filly Frosty's Bar of Kandi, Illusive Copy & Sonny Dee Bar bred, will make great 4-H, show or riding horse, \$2800. Taylor Christianson, O p e l o u s a s; brokenarrowranch@bellsouth.net, (337) 207-3217 or (337) 826-4519.

AQHA reg. sorrel geld., 7 yrs., big & stocky, needs experienced handler, has Conclusive & Leo Little Bonita bloodlines, \$900 obo. Linda Bruno, Monroe; (318) 345-8109

AMHA miniature mares & '04 foals, colorful & affectionate, AMHA mares, \$500/1-up; exposed to 30 1/2" blk./wh. pinto, \$550/1-up. Armand Scurria, Chalmette; avamini@globaltelinc.net or (504) 650-9197.

AQHA sorrel, 10 yrs., geld., great trail horse, has been ridden on many trail rides, \$1800. Bruce or Georgette Turchiarelli, Clinton; (225) 683-6705 or (225) 235-1099.

2003 Reg. APHC App. chestnut stallion, w/wh. blanket, show qual-

ity, great pedigree, good conform., pedigree includes Skip Reward, Prince Shannon, King David, Impressive bloodlines, \$2000. C. J. Champagne, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

5 Yr. reg. breeders stock paint geld., 14.2 hands, bay w/wh. blaze, flashy, gentle, good all around prospect, \$1800. Roddy Karl, Greensburg; (225) 222-6347.

7 Yr. pacer mare & Amish buggy, \$1500 firm. E. O. Watts, Carencro; (337) 896-7124.

AQHA, (2) pal. yrlg. colts, (1) sorrel yrlg. colt, (3) yrlg. fillies, (9) foals on broodmares, top arena, performance & ranch horse breeding, out of Puddenhead, Peppy San Badger, JD Cody bloodlines, \$1100-\$2500/1. Stuart Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.

Reg. pb Arabians at stud, Egyptian/Spanish bloodlines, show quality, blk., 15.2 hands, excel. temperament, foals to show, \$500/up. Donavan Stoute, Opelousas; (337) 585-2642.

Golden buckskin, '04 colt, Blackburn bred, sire is champ. reining stallion, gorgeous head, lots of muscle & good mind, handled daily, high percentage foundation, stallion prospect, \$2800. Randy Baudoin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

2004 Sorrel Doc Quixote bred filly, bred for working, high foundation breeding, quiet, easy, nice filly, \$1250. R. Baudoin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

4 Yr. 95% foundation dun mare, Poco Bueno, King & Doc Bar bred mare, very athletic & bred to work, \$1800. Anna Baudoin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

2004 Dunalino colt, by line bred Blackburn, 100% foundation bred stallion, who was champ. reining horse, out of golden buckskin, high foundation bred mare, pretty head, lots of muscle, good temperament, super pedigree, \$2500. A. Baudoin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

AQHS mare, 4 yrs., very gentle, \$500. E. Guidry, Ville Platte; (337) 826-5350.

Wanted: pal. geld., med. or large, gentle, no bad habits, caramel color, w/wh. mane & tail, paint geld., child's horse. Hugh Babineaux, Lake Charles; (337) 477-3412.

Wanted: very gentle gaited horse for old woman & grandchildren. Carolyn DeRouen, Denham Springs; (225) 667-5181 or (225) 571-7396.

STALLION SERVICE

8 Yr. grandson of Puddenhead, bay star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeannette Bucklin, Jackson; www.quarter-horse.com or (337) 824-1642.

APHA pal. tobiano, Iced Gold, 15+ hands, 3 yrs., high set neck, pretty head, long legs, \$400/\$5 mare care. E. O'Quinn, Iowa;

www.sunkissedfarm.com, (337) 588-4948.

Cremello AQHA, CC Dash of Lightning, 15.2 hands, halter & race bred, siring buckskin & pal. from colored mares, \$500/\$5 mare care. Lisa Lyon, Iowa; www.sunkissedfarm.com, (337) 588-4948.

2000 APHA bay/wh. tobiano stallion, out of 2x reserve grand champ., Tinky Sugar Bars & AQHA hall of fame racing horse, Sugar Bars, \$300/\$5 mare care. Heather Bertrand, Opelousas; (337) 207-3217 or (337) 826-4519.

2000 AQHA sorrel stallion, out of Hesa Crazy Magic by Streakin LaJolla by Streakin Six, very muscular, lots of speed, special consideration for proven mares, \$350/\$5 mare care. Gary Bertrand, Opelousas; (337) 207-3217 or (337) 826-4519.

Homozygous APHA blk./wh. paint, homozygous for color & pattern, bloodlines from Shots Flying Spark & Range Chiefton, \$350. Gary Marler, Sieper; (318) 793-5835 or (318) 201-1870.

1998 Golden pal., 14.2 hands, muscular build, pro trained for cutting, Dry Doc, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Poco Bueno, Leo & Wimpy bloodlines, \$300/\$3 mare care. Dean Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

AQHA pal., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Barpass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Blk./wh. App., Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 mare care. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro; (337) 896-8457.

Straight Egyptians at stud, Norus son, IBN Moniet, Farazdac Tuhomos, Imperial Imdal grandson, \$500 introductory offer, limited breeding. Jeff Dupre, Washington; (337) 585-2642.

SHEEP & GOATS

Reg. katahdin rams, Canadian bloodline, \$100/1. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4094.

Suffolk ram, 1 yr., \$100 or trade for katahdin lambs or Boer goats. Morris Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

Billy goats, wh. saanen, very tame, 6 mos., \$50/1; young nannies, very tame, \$40/1. Gladys Oestriecher, Lacombe; (985) 882-7508

Reg. USBGA Boer goats, (1) buck, red head, born 06/26/03, very gentle, \$175; nannies & billies, percentages & fb, \$75-\$200. Bob Lailheugue, Holden; (225) 294-3451.

Boer goats w/papers, sire has champ. bloodlines, show wethers, percentage doelings & fb breeding stock, \$125/1-up. Mary Koehn, Longville; (337) 725-3615.

Alpine doe kids & Nubian doe kids about 6 mos., \$150/1; dry yrlg. does, \$150/1; milking age does, \$175/1. Mary McMahan,

Hammond; (225) 567-7048.

Boer goats, reg., \$200; non reg., \$150; reg. billy, \$350. Scarlet Losavio, Innis; (225) 492-3468 or (225) 718-2698.

Norwegian pygmy goat, young male, 3 mos., wh. w/blk. streaks down the back, good breeding stock, \$50. Felix Jacob, Reserve; (985) 536-2140.

Reg. Boer buck, ABGA, 100%, born 01/05/01, SA breeding, great-grandson of TND Leroy, correct color, \$350. Neal West, Leesville; (337) 239-2694.

Reg. fb & percentage Boer goats, nannies, doelings & bucks, all ages, Downen's Pipeline breeding, \$200/1-up. Greg Monier, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4000 or (337) 831-4000.

Fb katahdin, stock sale, rams, \$125; ewes, \$100; lambs, \$50. Charles Primeaux, Scott; (337) 873-8088.

(5) Boer does, born 03/15/04, (2) Boer wethers, born 03/20/04, \$150/1. Yvonne Jackson, Ragley; (337) 725-3222.

Fb Boer goats, (4) open nannies, \$200/1-up; (6) does, 4 mos., \$150/1-up, color correct, excel. genetics. Anthony Mumphrey, Eunice; (337) 550-0826.

Brush goats, 3 mos., males \$35/1; females, \$45/1; or \$75/pr., very tame, make good pets. Ronnie Saccaro, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-6097 or (225) 261-3832.

Nubian goats, 8 mos., (1) doeling & (1) buckling, \$150/1. Louis Robert, Hessmer; (318) 563-4428.

Young goats, \$50/1-up. Norris Grayes, Bogalusa; (985) 735-1816.

Reg. St. Croix hair sheep, no shear, worm resistant, great tasting meat, easy care, tropical sheep, \$150/1-up. Jeff Kuehny, Clinton; www.stcroixsheep.org or (225) 235-3936.

Nigerian dwarf/African pygmy goat kids, very colorful & friendly, great pets, born 04/29/04, \$50-\$100. Debby Sharbaugh, Ethel; (225) 683-4919.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts before the ad can be published.

Reg. NALC Catahoula pups, all colors, out of working stock, \$150. Chester Wager, St. Martinville; (337) 845-4764.

Great Pyrenees working team, (1) males, (1) female, not kin, \$200. Scarlet Losavio, Innis; (225) 492-3468 or (225) 718-2698.

Reg. Border collie pups, 4 mos., from working stock, \$200/1. Pat Boudreaux, Simmesport; (318) 941-2614.

Reg. golden retriever pups, shots & wormed, \$250. Kate Ryder, Lake Charles; (337) 582-5108 or (337) 304-0698.

Trained cow dogs, yellow blk. mouth & Catahoula, \$150; pups also, proven mother & daddy at

place, w/demonstrate, these dogs work hogs or cattle, lots of go & hunt. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves, (337) 666-2798.

Large good-tempered doberman pups, red & blk., from superior size line, known for disp., lovely dogs, \$500/1-up. Anna Baudoin, Denham Springs; baroquefarms@cox.net or (225) 665-2186.

CKC great Pyrenees pups, born 2/9/04, great livestock dogs & pets, parents on premises; pups born 5/16/04, sire Bear the Great Vonshow, parents on premises, \$200. Cindy Smith, Bogalusa; (985) 735-9671.

Reg. border collie pups born 4/30/04, sired by Rockin G Spurs, the 2000 world champ. cowdog, dam is sired by Rockin G Whip, the '02 reserve world champ. Cowdog, (7) males, (1) female, \$450/1. Keith Gilleon, Ethel; (225) 571-3775.

NALC Catahoula pups, from proven working/treeing stock, \$200. Mona Williams, Denham Springs; (225) 665-8680.

Reg. border collies, 2/23/04, good color, all shots, from strong working dogs, \$150. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4094.

(2) Female beagles, \$75/1. Dani Trosper, Anacoco; trosper5@netzero.com or (337) 286-5178.

SWINE

Feeder/wean. pigs, weaning to 200 lbs., corn fed on concrete, \$35/1-up. J. B. Richard, Scott; (337) 269-1755.

DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

3 Yr. male peacocks, blue, \$125/1; guineas, \$8/1. Donald Collins, Rosepine; (337) 462-5649.

Pr. umbrellas, \$1500; pr. goffins, \$800; Congo gray hen, \$750; pr. duskys, \$475; (2) pr. suns, \$500/1. Charles Legaux, Edgard; (985) 497-3264.

Hf cockatiels, rainbow lory, blue crown conures, \$55/1-up. Fran St. Pierre, Tickfaw; (985) 351-3620.

Wh. pheasants, \$7/1; silver lace wyndotte, young laying hens, \$5/1; ringneck pheasants. Stratton Songy, Tickfaw; (985) 429-8212.

Cockatiels, breeder age & hf, grays, pieds, cinn., lutinos, albinos, white-face, pearls & most combinations, all seamless banded & cert. included, \$30/1-up. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City; (985) 631-3498.

(3) Hf Solomon island eclectus males, \$550/1; hf sun conure, \$300, will make deal for all. Josh Villarreal, Gonzales; (225) 647-0157.

Greenwing-macaw female, \$1200/1; blue-headed pionus, \$700/pr.; dbl.-yellow head Amazons, \$800/pr.; blue & gold macaw male, \$650/1. Gloria Monks, Lake Charles; (337) 855-6600.

(8) Parakeets, \$10/1; (5) gray male cockatiels, \$15/1; (2) pied females, \$25/1 or \$150/all; pied ringneck doves, singles, \$5/1; proven prs., \$15/pr. Gervin Miller, Church Point; (337) 684-2833.

Java rice birds, normals, \$25/1; fawn, \$60/1; wh., \$40/1; blue-wh. tail, \$30/1; Rosey Baurks, \$75/1; red rumps, \$75/1; parrotlets-blue, \$300/1; split to blue, \$150/1; Florida fancy finches, \$10/1. Donald Jacob, LaPlace; (985) 652-6614

Mature blk.-shouldered peacock, \$120. J. Navratilova, Baton Rouge; (225) 752-7992.

Cockatiels, \$20/1-up; parakeets, \$8/1; finches, \$6/1; conures, \$100/1-up; pionus, \$200/1; eclectus, \$800/pr.; rosellas, \$500/3. Clara Broussard, Abbeville; (337) 893-6745.

Finches, societies, zebras, several mutations & gouldians, \$6/1-up. Terry Perez, Cut Off; tbirds@mobiletel.com or (985) 665-3902.

11 Yr. old male DYH breeder, beautiful, healthy bird, female died, \$450. Buddy Prevost, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-6864.

Blue & gold, green-wing scarlet macaws, \$1600-\$2000/pr.; yellow nape, yellow crown Amazons, \$800-\$1000/pr. Al Cormier, Rayne; (337) 873-2111.

Hf RS eclectus babies, weaned, \$500; hf large scarlet macaw babies, weaned, \$850. Mike Dugas, Plattenville; (985) 369-2730.

Ringneck doves, normals & whites, \$10-\$15/1; proven mated prs., \$25-\$35/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

Brown throat conures, \$375; fallow green cheeked conures, \$425; dusky conures, \$375; orange fronted conures, \$375; mitered conures, \$450 & Rosey Bourkes, \$225. Andy Walker, Lafayette; (337) 233-7363 or (337) 235-6003.

POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

Mallard ducks, eggs, babies & mature flyers, 50¢-\$8/1; pickled mallard duck eggs, tasty, farm fresh, \$9. Jennifer Young, Zachary; yfarmskennels@aol.com, (225) 654-3264 or (225) 445-5012.

Pharaoh, golden Manchurian & wh. quails, newly hatched to grown, 35¢-\$1.5/1; eggs, 15¢; live, \$18/doz.; dressed, \$24/doz. Harry Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

Chicks, \$1.5/1; pullets, \$3/1; roosters, \$5/1; silkies, \$6/1; ducks, \$5/1; geese, \$6/1. Gladys Oestriecher, Lacombe; (985) 882-7598.

(30) Barred rock hens, 2 yrs., laying, \$6/1 or \$5/1 if all taken. Ernest Tauzin, Breaux Bridge; (337) 332-6912.

Mallards, magpies, peking ducks, ringneck ducks, ringneck pheasants, wh. call ducks, mix breed bantams. Sterling Bergeron, Houma; (985) 804-6050.

Pheasants, young birds, red &

yellow, golden & silver, \$8.5/1; breeders, different breeds, \$40/pr. & up. J. D. Hunt, Kentwood; (985) 229-6913.

(20) Geese, \$8/1 or \$6/1 if (10) or more taken; (2) blk. male turkeys, \$15/1, w/trade for female peafowl. Robert Foti, St. Martinville; (337) 394-6864.

Trio Belgian quail bantams, hens laying now, \$30. Ray Vidrine, Washington; (337) 826-7713.

Bantams newly hatched to grown, \$1-\$5/1. A. P. Collins, Opelousas; (337) 942-6236.

Gold-laced cochin bantams, Feb. hatch, \$15/pr. Leslie Boucher, Bush; (985) 893-0485.

Flying mallards, flight cond., excel. flyers, \$7.5/1 depending on amount purchased. Geraldine Janise, Church Point; (337) 684-6871.

Young Jack, \$75/1; pb buff Japanese, \$20/pr.; pb silver duckwing bantam, \$20/pr.; Canadian goslings, \$30/1. Dani Trosper, Anacoco; trosper5@netzero.com or (337) 286-5178.

Old English game bantams, '04 hatched, BB reds, \$25/pr.; '03 hatched BB reds, \$40/trio, some blk. hens. Hugh Junca, Franklin; (337) 923-7223.

Tuxedo pharaoh quail, Manchurian pharaoh quail, also hatching eggs, birds, \$1/1-up; eggs, \$20/100-up. Buddy Prevost, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-6864.

Mallard ducks & blk. sexlink hens, \$7/1. Floyd Cook, St. Amant; (225) 675-2674 or (225) 622-6188.

Bobwhite quail eggs, Georgia giant eggs, \$30/100. Preston Mire, Crowley; (337) 783-6635.

Swans, blk., \$400/pr.; mute, \$600/pr; (1) mature hen, \$500/1; guineas, \$7/1; unrelated prs., sex guaranteed. Darren Mallet, Denham Springs; (225) 664-5536.

Trio Chinese geese, \$45/3. Eugene Wine, Sulphur; (337) 528-9393.

PIGEONS

Homing pigeons, Janssens, \$5/1 or \$3.5/1 (20) or more taken. Bobby Martin, Pineville; (318) 640-5019.

Texan pioneer auto sexing pigeons, young prs., \$20/pr.; singles, \$12/1. Presley Hebert, Youngsville; (337) 856-6135.

Starlings, archangels, mookees, oriental frills, Lahorse, helmuts, doneks, \$5/1. Floyd LeBouef, Church Point; (337) 684-2251.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Calif., NZ Dutch cross, & multi colors, bucks & does breeding stock, \$15/1; bunnies, \$5/1; fryers, \$6/1. R. Cloud, Glenmora; (318) 748-7522.

Mixed breed rabbits, 6 wks. & up, \$5/1, does ready to breed, \$8/1. J. B. Brown, Sorrento; (225) 675-8637.

San Juans, \$5/1-up; other breeds, \$5/1-up; new wire cages,

\$16/1-up. Ishreal Thibodeaux, Opelousas; (337) 942-7726.

Mini rex, variety of colors, blk., blues & castors from pedigreed & reg. stock, \$10/1-up. Sonia Lirette, Houma; (985) 879-1311.

DEER & EXOTICS

Whitetail babies, started on bottle, \$150/1. Larry Odom, Pitkin; (318) 634-5931.

Whitetail does & bucks, \$300/1-up. Bryan McDaniel, Ville Platte; (337) 461-2998.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Blue Catfish, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; channel catfish, $20 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; bluegill, $20 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; hybrid bluegill, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; Chinquapin, $25 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$; bass, $50 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ -up; koi, $50 \frac{1}{\epsilon}$ -up, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden; (318) 377-1525.

FARM SERVICES

Protect your investment & your friend, freeze branding now avail., ID that is humane & visible year round, \$45. Kim Ballard, Cade; (337) 344-3171.

We build pole barn, equipment sheds, enclosed or open shops. E. H. Welch, Kentwood; (985) 229-8590

Wanted: pecan orchards wanted for machine harvest & cleanup, 14 yrs. in business. Mike Montgomery, Bossier; (318) 746-3740.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

10 Acres, suitable for pasture, crops, 3 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath brick home, big barn & sheds, buyer has option to buy more acreage, Pine Prairie, \$125,000. Murray Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2473.

yr. old home, 2 story, brick/cypress, high & dry, set up for horses, (2) barns, riding pen, pasture, must see to appreciate, \$425,000. Alvin Stafford, Prairieville; (225) 673-3373 or (225) 241-1865.

Washington Parish near Franklinton, 100 rolling acres, fenced, ponds, trees, barns, equipment, pipe corrals, squeeze chute, \$2400/acre, will divide. Charles Hincks, Franklinton; (985) 848-5716.

Washington Parish, near Franklinton, 80 acres, pastures, w/pond & scattered trees, fenced, very private location, \$2200/acre, will divide. Ramona Hincks, Franklinton; (985) 848-5716.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Used nursery plastic pots, (9) 10-gal., (10) 5-gal., (6) 2-gal., (125) 3-gal., (30) 1-gal., trays & 6 packs, \$35/all. Patsy F. Cook, Covington; (985) 892-7058.

Job's tear, large fancy red cherry, yellow squash, birdseye & peter peppers, mixed cypress & morning glory vines, bicolor four o'clocks, pink Texas star, \$1.50/pkt. w/SASE. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA, 70601; (337) 478-7075.

Cassia, passion vine, loofa gourd, Job's tears, purple wisteria, yellow-flag iris, St. Joseph's bean, moon vine, red amaryllis, hyacinth vine bean, loquat fruit tree, Texas red star, bush morning glory, \$1/pkt. w/SASE. E.L. Duplessis, 17641 Cline Drive, Maurepas, LA, 70449; (225) 698-6307.

Pine straw, machine baled premium quality mulch, clean, \$4/ bale at barn. Bruce Wallis, New Orleans; (504) 483-7775.

Over 50 varieties of flowering plants, bushes, trees, lilies, etc., 1-gal. or 3-gal. pots, \$2-\$15, send SASE for list & price. Lee Cook, 56463 Hwy. 445, Husser, LA, 70442; (985) 748-7043.

Birdhouse & dipper gourds, cushaw green stripe, \$1.5/30 seeds, w/SASE. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

River birch, shumard oak, nuttall oak, water oak, willow oak, cypress, live oak, ginko biloba, crape myrtle, \$7.50/3-gal.; water oak, shumard, white oak, crape myrtle, \$12/7-gal. Glenn & Angela Austin, Winnfield; (318) 628-6150.

Chinese parasol, large leaf, fast growing shade tree, used for shade at the Audubon Zoo, \$5/1 in gal. pots at place. L. Dovalina, Metairie; (504) 831-2833.

Fig trees, 2 yr., \$9.50/2-gal.; 3 yr., \$12.50/ 3-gal., at place; 10 varieties, SASE for list. Betty Robin, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

Celeste & brown turkey fig, \$8/3-gal.; Southern magnolia, \$4-\$10; dwarf pomegranate, \$10/3-gal.; Japanese yew bushes, \$12/5-gal.; Japanese plum, \$5 & \$10 by size; monkey grass, \$1/3 qt. tufts. James Stelly, Eunice; (337) 457-4528.

Rice paper plant, \$2-\$5/1; native Hawaiian orchid, \$5/1; celeste, honeydew & green ischia figs, \$6/1-up; Japanese plums, \$5-\$10/1; large elephant ears, \$5/1-up, potted. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

U-Pick blueberries, \$1.5/lb. at place. James Robine, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

HAY & GRAIN

2003 Alicia Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, in barn, \$30/1; cattle mixed grass, \$15/1. Brandy Cella, Bush; (985) 892-0240.

Bahia hay behind baler, \$2.75-\$3.25/1; in barn depending on quality, \$3-\$3.5/1. Nelson Doolittle, Loranger; (985) 878-6111.

Bahia or rye grass, sq. bales, fert., clean, cured w/o rain, no weeds, \$2.75/1. Lew Overton, Slaughter; (225) 654-0086.

Fert. Bahia, Alicia, 4x5 rd. bales, conditioned, cut & cured, \$20/1. C. M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

2004 Quality Jiggs Bermuda, in field, \$2.75/bale, in barn; \$3.5-\$4/bale; \$4-\$4.5, delivered but not unloaded. Don Bernard, Broussard; (337) 989-9675.

Alicia/clover mix, \$2.5/1; Alicia 2nd cut, horse quality, \$3.25-\$3.5/1; Bahia, \$3/1, (20) bales or more, \$2.75/1; 5x5 rd. bales of Bahia, \$25/1, you load sq., we load rd. David Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-3523.

Argentina Bahia hay, out of field, fert. to soil sample, taking orders for sq. bales, will only cut for advanced orders, \$2/1, out of field. Dewitt Perry, Franklinton; (985) 839-9636.

2004 Alicia or Jiggs, large 5x5 rd. bales, excel. quality hay, \$20/1, quantity discounts avail. Miles Briley, Opelousas; (337) 543-2270.

Argentina Bahia hay, sq. bales, cured w/o rain, fert., horse quality hay, \$2/1. Allen Dugas, Sr., Tickfaw; (985) 542-0252.

High quality Bermuda race horse hay, first cut, in May '04, sq. bales, \$3-\$4/1; rd. bales, \$20-\$40/1, Milton area. Joe Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 856-4266 or (337) 230-7273.

2003 Bahia sq. bales, \$2/1, cash only. Richard Perioux, St. Martinville; (337) 394-8807.

2004 Quality rd. bales, behind baler, \$18/1; off field, \$28/1; delivery in La., \$38/1. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958.

Bahia hay, 4x5 rd. bales, fert. to soil test, no weeds, under barn, excel. quality horse hay, \$35/1, delivery avail. Joe Pieri, Folsom; (985) 796-9538 or (504) 628-5361.

Bahia grass hay, small bales, in barn, \$2/1. Nathan Fleming, Baton Rouge; (225) 405-0248.

Argentina Bahia, horse quality, out of field, 4x4 rd. bales, \$18/1; sq. bales, \$3/1. Richard Reed, Independence; (985) 878-2330.

Large 4x5 rd. bales of Alicia, limed & fert., cured w/o rain,

excel. hay, \$20/1. George Mallett, Iowa; (337) 588-4345.

4x5 rd. bales Bahia, fert., limed, cured w/o rain, excel. quality, in barn, \$25/1. Lee Cook, Husser; (985) 748-7043.

New crop wheat, 55-60 lb. sack, \$5/1. George Lanclos, Opelousas; (337) 948-9396.

Bahia hay, 5x5 rd. bales, well fert., in shed on pallets, \$25/1; sq. bales, ray & Jiggs grass, well fert., \$2.25/1. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.



Minneapolis-Molines, U302 super w/Moline loader, 55hp, 3 pt. & PTO, \$8750; M670 super, 75 hp, 3 pt. & PTO, \$8500, both fully restored, ready for show or work. M. Nunez, Baton Rouge; (225) 892-5938.

Vicon CM 240 disc mower, \$500; Vermeer 605F baler, \$3000; Walton hay rake, \$500 or \$3500/all. Randal Martin, Asland; (318) 544-8711.

W&A 8-row hipper, w/Orthman row markers, \$2600; Taylorway 8-row cult., w/fenders, \$1500; Bridger planter, 8-row, w/row markers, \$1200. Bobby Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

Square hay bale elevator, 23' long, height adjustment approx. 8', \$250. Bob Thibodeaux, Breaux Bridge; (337) 845-4237.

Int. 674 trac., '75 model, 65 hp, good rubber, 2 hyd. remotes, p/s, hyd. ditching blade, runs great, \$5000. Milburn Noel, Arnaudville; (337) 945-6015.

JD 4420 combine, \$5500; IH 480 disc, blades 80%, \$1200. Jay Helminger, Mansura; (318) 964-2189

Hydraulic side boom, to fit 450 size dozer, \$2500. Morris Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

Ford 2N, runs great, engine rebuilt, new clutch, no smoke, \$1995. Bill Amacker, Denham Springs; (225) 664-4337.

1976 MF 20C industrial trac., w/front-end loader, 3 pt. hitch, PTO & 2 remotes, 3 cyl. Perkins engine, p/s, good tires, \$6000. Buddy Young, Sulphur; (337) 309-1660 or (337) 855-6726.

JD 6620, 18' platform, good cond., 1 owner, cut '03 rice crop, \$3500. Ted Savant, Kinder; (337) 738-5818.

IH cub trac., yellow & white, runs good, good tires, some cult. tools, \$1250; 7' sickle mower, \$150; Dear Born 1-row planter, \$100. Gregory Burks, Starks; (337) 743-5487.

Rhino TW 168 shredder, 14' rigid, 3 pt. hitch, \$4500; JD 235 disc, 26', \$2200; Ferguson spin ditcher, \$500; Perkins power unit, \$500; Forest City 8-row harrow, \$100; chemical tanks, all sizes, \$100. Derek Dauzat, Marksville; (318) 253-5386.

Red Farmall cub trac., fresh overhaul, rebuilt starter, new battery, all cult. tools, front & rear, \$2500 cash only. Jay Calk, Jena;

(318) 992-0496.

3 Yard Page drag bucket, 2-yard PW drag bucket, 2-1/2 yard Yaun, 2-yard Yaun, 5/8 bucket, 1-yard concrete bucket, 48"x20" "I" beam for test pile, reasonable offer. Homer Lindley, Baton Rouge; (225) 927-0361 or (225) 955-6635.

Model 6 Northwest 2 yard drag crane, good cond., needs paint, \$6500; (2) large spools of used 1" steel cable for 2 or 3 yard draglines, 20¢/ft. H. Lindley, Baton Rouge; (225) 955-6635 or (225) 927-0361.

(2) JD 95R combines, (1) field ready, good cond., w/rigid header, other combine for parts, \$2500; JD 4-row Mix-Miser fert./dist., \$700. Darrell Ducote, Bunkie; (318) 346-7717

MF 50 trac., w/5' bush hog, good cond., \$2000. Fred Gossen, Rayne; (337) 334-3311 or (337) 334-5417.

21' Field cult., \$1200; sprinkler pipe, 2", 30' long, 90¢/ft. Mike Patanella, Independence; (985) 687-5030.

Versatile 875 cab/ac, duals, recently overhauled engine, 2 yr. trans., new a/c, new hyd. hoses, in very good cond., \$23,500. Clay Menard, Erath; (337) 201-1363.

6-Row Chattanooga crop maker cult., \$425; 6-row Taylorway cult., w/3 pt. hitch, \$450; 6-row Glenco cult., w/ga. wheels, \$450. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania; (318) 552-6265.

Dirt scoop, \$175; 4' grader blade, 3 pt. hitch, \$185; disc blades, 20" diameter, 1 1/2" sq. hole, \$5/1; IH 300 trac., antique, \$800. Ben Brown, Basile; (337) 432-5870.

MF 35 gas trac., engine rebuilt, hyd. rebuilt, new tires & paint, 5' tiller, cult., book, looks & runs great, \$4500. Jack Baham, Folsom; (985) 796-3069.

Dixon ZTR mower, 10 hp, Briggs & Stratton, 30" cut, just serviced by Dixon dealer, excel. cond., \$1100. Joe Pieri, Folsom; (504) 628-5361.

1-Row disc, w/3 pt. hitch, \$250; middle buster to fit square draw bar, \$100. Roy Firmin, Zachary; (225) 654-9566.

JD 272 finishing mower for parts, deck rusted out, \$125; Ford front wheels & weights for Jubilee & 600 series, 6.00x18, w/400 lb. weights, \$1500. Ronnie Burr, Vidalia; (318) 336-5858.

4' Finishing mower, 3 pt. hitch, PTO, good shape, \$450. Melissa Henry, Patterson; (985) 395-6015.

5' Stump jumper bush hog, only used 2 yrs. on small lot, \$450. Andrew Vilcan, Charenton; (337) 923-6296.

7' Pasture clipper, no stump jumper, \$800. J. Navratilova, Baton Rouge; (225) 752-7992.

Ford 6' flail mower, used on small sod farm, smooth running, \$700. L. Robinson, Quitman; (318) 259-4598.

200 Bucyrus dragline, w/drag bucket & pile driver, low hrs., good cond., \$10,000. Rodney Hutchins, Jonesville; (318) 339-9699 or (318) 481-2844.

8-Wheeled 15' hay rake, used 2 seasons, \$900. Scott Douglas, Alexandria; (318) 597-2729.

Ford 8N trac., very good cond., plenty of life left in the old girl, \$2600. Philip Dipascal, Marrero; POP_iii@hotmail.com or (504) 341-5709.

1999 Long sq. baler, like new, must see to appreciate, kept in barn, excel. working cond., \$6000; '00 model 9' Long hay cutter, excel. working cond., \$2750. Matt Parker, Leesville; (337) 535-4968 or (337) 208-6362.

JD 9910 cotton picker, green top, good shape, \$2500; 6-row equip., cult., \$300; cropmaker, \$200; planters, w/monitors, \$1000; rolling cult., \$400; hippers, w/row markers, \$500. Percell Green, Jr., Rayville; (318) 728-6966.

JD 4840 duals, power shift, mounted 150-gal. tanks, cab/ac/heat, ready to work, \$15,000, will trade for smaller trac. Judy Green, Rayville; (318) 728-6966.

JD 40 w/bush hog, 4', \$3200; 9N Ford trac., \$2000; 8N Ford trac., \$2000. Lurry LaBorde, Mansura; (318) 563-4931 or (318) 359-8587.

MF 450 rd. baler, open throat, good shape, field ready, \$2500 nego. Brenda Foley, New Llano (337) 537-0532.

460 Long diesel engine, trac. w/front-end loader, bucket, in good cond., ready to work, \$9500 nego. B. R. Foley, New Llano; (337) 537-0532.

Kuhn GMD 700, 9' hay cutter, new bearings, blades & (2) new discs, \$2500. Mitch Parrott, Mamou; (337) 523-3407 or (337) 363-0321.

(2) 4-row JD 3-blade pickup discs, \$800/1. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer; (318) 563-8478.

Commercial pea sheller, all screens, \$2150. Hewitt Townsend, Zachary; (225) 654-2537.

Gearbox & blades, for 5' bush hog, \$100. James Dufresne, Vacherie; (225) 265-2690.

JD 4640, cab/ac, p/s, \$12,000; W&A 6-row roller, \$1000; 1100-gal. water trailer, \$1000; bush hog 3214 mower, \$3500. Robert Poole, Cheneyville; (318) 279-2429.

JD 4020 trac., canopy, new paint, new radiator, new tach, ditching blade, new seat, approx. 200 hrs. on clutch, good rubber, new tie rods, excel. running cond., \$9200. Harold Landreneau, Eunice; (337) 457-0505.

9' PZ haybob, \$975; 11' NH rack, \$975; hyd. boom, \$300, all 3 pt. hitch; 6' bush hog, Big Bee, \$300. Harold Laborde, Marksville; (318) 253-8252.

5' Finishing mower, works underneath trac., w/3 pt. hookup, \$500. Allie Johnson, Simpson; (337) 383-7777.

Int. 1066 diesel trac., 130 hp, good trans., rear-end & brakes, p/s, good sheet metal, w/dual hyd., fair tires, \$5200. Buddy Easley, Loranger; (985) 878-2253.

9.2 Kuhn mower, field ready, \$3200; 1-row New Idea corn picker, field ready, \$1500; Gehl grinder/mixer, 3800 lbs. capacity, \$900. Warren Smith, Leesville; (800) 841-6923.

IH 5488 cab/air trac., new engine & tires, \$13,000. James Stacy, Natchitoches; (318) 352-3692.

Clark forklift, 12,000 lbs., does-

n't run, \$2500; Taylor Made forklift, \$1000. Gurley Maurin, Hammond; (985) 345-3726 or (985) 320-8659.

4300 JD diesel, 32 hp, '99, like new, only 190 hrs., will sell w/or w/o equip., trac. only, \$9500. Harold Vercher, Deville; (318) 442-0851.

NH 851 rd. baler, new chains, hand tie, \$3000; JD 327 sq. baler, like new, \$4500. John Soileau, Palmetto; (337) 623-5892.

3'x7' Drag harrow, built on 3 pt. hitch, w/2 3/8" pipe, (2) rows of teeth on bottom, good for rd. pens & arenas, \$250. Larry Duhon, Kaplan; (337) 652-6200.

18' Vicon hay rake, hyd., 2-wheels & 9 rake wheels, well maintained, \$1200. Cliff Myers, Youngsville; (337) 856-6992.

NH model 616 hay cutter, 540 PTO, 3 yrs., cut less than 75 acres, kept under barn, like new, \$4500. Wyatt Brown, Monterey; (318) 386-2982.

1991 Case, IH axial flow combine, 1000 engine hrs., 20' rigid 1010 header w/header wagon, \$35,000 nego. Gerard Baudoin, Maurice; (337) 898-1323.

Bush hog, pull-type, 5', working cond., needs some repair, \$100. Clarence Angelle, Arnaudville; (337) 667-6246.

2003 Mahindra 3505, 35 hp trac., w/loader, 85 hrs., w/canopy, \$12,000; '01 Kubota L-3000F, 32 hp, 75 hrs., w/Howes bush hog, like new, \$8000. A. P. Douzart, Alexandria; (318) 449-1348.

5' Bush hog, good cond., \$325; 5 1/2' box blade, \$225; single row disc, \$200; trac. tire, 11.2x24, 75%, \$50. Leon Noel, Robert; (985) 543-0983.

(2) rear trac. tires, 18.4-34, 80% rubber, \$250/both. Rodney Buller, Ville Platte; (337) 363-3740.

1480 Int. combine, w/20' 810 header, 30.5x32 tires, shed kept, not used for last 4 harvests, \$4500; 1460 Int. combine, w/20' 810 header, 30.5x32 tires, shed kept, not used for last 4 harvests, \$3500; Rayne grain 60 bbl. rice cart, \$750. Daniel Hardy, Iowa; (337) 582-3359.

Backhoe attachment for trac., 12' reach, needs hyd. hoses, \$1200. Ed Bryant, Anacoco; (337) 286-5373.

1066 IH, canopy, \$6500; 6400 JD, c/a, \$22,000; 7150 Case, \$28,000; 4650 JD, \$20,000. Fred Perritt, Rayville; (318) 728-3035.

Int. 2424 trac., 24 hp, gas burner, good shape & tires, \$4250. Hayward Bourgeois, LaPlace; (985) 652-5306.

Case 2294 w/cab, a/c & duals, one owner, 5800 hrs., '84 model, \$10,000. J. M. Blaney, Harrisonburg; Jmb1255@aol.com or (318) 744-5705.

Implement bars w/3 pt. hitches, several sizes, \$300/1. Steve Mathews, Alexandria; (318) 201-9729.

Red Farmall cub trac., fresh overhaul, paint, new starter, battery, cult. tools for front & rear, \$2200 obo. Jay Calk, Jena; (318) 992-0496.

Bionic type grader blades, new, 5', \$599; 6', \$699; 7', \$799; commercial 7', \$1250. Mike Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

1987 MF 360, 2wd, 60 hp, turbo charged, low profile, shuttle shift,

new paint, runs great, \$9875 nego. Dennis Fontenot, Iota; (337) 824-8665 or (337) 224-2529.

JD 2950, 95 hp, cab/air, 4 wd, 2500 hrs., \$23,500; JD 6400, 90 hp, 2 wd, 2600 hrs., \$18,500; JD 2755, 75 hp, 2 wd, \$13,500; JD 4230, 100 hp, 2 wd, \$10,500; JD F1145, 25 hp, diesel, 4 wd, 72" front cut, \$4800. Monty Gore, St. Amant; (225) 622-3257.

Ford 3 pt. lift, side delivery rake, field ready, \$800. Dewitt Perry, Franklinton; (985) 839-9636.

7 1/2' Flail mower, 3 pt. hitch, used behind 35 hp trac., to cut small acreage, excel. cond., \$1100 or trade. Bernice Kirkland, St. Francisville; (225) 634-3030 or (225) 721-0944.

Spray rig, saddle tank hardware for IH trac., (2) 200-gal. chem. tanks, hyd. pump, w/54', 3 section boom, \$800/all. David Lyles, Baton Rouge; (225) 938-1843.

284 IH trac., w/5' IH belly mower, (4) new tires, 3 pt. hitch, in excel. cond., 1500 hrs., \$6000 nego. Earon Poincot, Houma; (985) 872-3604.

NH 660 rd. baler, endless belts, auto tie, makes any size bales, used 3 seasons, barn kept, \$8000. Jimmy Augustine, Kinder; (337) 738-2432.

IH 350 trac., w/bush hog, \$1200; IH H trac. w/bush hog, \$1200; (2) 40 hp, 4 cyl. IH engine blocks, \$200/1; (2) new IH front axles, \$150/1, other IH parts avail. Lorey Normand, Marksville; (318) 253-6794.

Reynolds Land Plane 10'x48', excel. cond., \$1750; 14' Amco heavy-duty, new ground disc, dbl. blades, \$2500. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355.

7020 Allis Chalmers trac., 130 hp, field/pasture ready, currently used on ranch, has 540 & 1000 PTO, steering recently repaired, 20.8-38 rear tires, good rubber 75%, \$4100. Stuart Gardner, Sunset; (337) 668-4255.

New 1-bale buggy, \$600; box blade, 250; new 7' tilt blade, \$500; 10' Rhino bush hog, \$1850; 15' batwing, \$2250. Buddy Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 453-7688.

2001 Vermeer 605K, rd. baler, 6x5, mint cond., used 1 yr., \$16,500; 6034 Skytrack, 4x4, excel. cond., \$16,500; '02 trac., 80 hp, 179 hrs., 4x4, cab/ac, loader, \$32,500. B. Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 453-5685.

Sq. hay baler, manufactured by Case, PTO driven, model Case 200, \$250. Clay Champagne, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

678 NH baler, baled, 623 bales, 2 yrs., like new, \$15,500. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

JD 3010 trac., 70 hp, (4) new tires, 12' water blade, \$7500. Dwight Frederick, Broussard; (337) 319-1187 or (337) 837-5583.

560 Maxi Grind grinder, w/500 hp Caterpillar engine, \$75,000; C-7E Tree Farmer skidder, w/new JD engine, \$41,000; 170 Franklin skidder, w/good cond., \$32,000; 410-D Prentice loader, w/slasher & delimber, \$26,000. D. Tyler, Pineville; (318) 442-8830.

Grade All extended reach lift model #534, \$16,500; '99 Peerless 2770 loader, mounted on 6 wd Osh Kosh w/hyd. package,

\$41,000. Dean Tyler, Pineville; (318) 442-8830.

NH 5610S '00 model, 1000 hrs., \$12,900; IH 384 diesel, p/s, \$3895, IH 385 diesel, 6' BH ROPS, \$3200; IH 474 diesel, 4 post, p/s, \$3200; Ford 3600 diesel p/s, \$4495; JD 850 diesel, w/front \$5000; 4' Land Pride finish mower, \$400. J. R. Coldiron, Jonesville; (318) 729-3441.

NH 271 sq. baler, \$1650; JD 110 13', tandem disc, \$1500; IH 284 diesel, 700 hrs., 30 hp, \$4500; Ford 1700 diesel, wide front, \$2800; NH 1044 120 bale wagon, \$4500; NH 256 roller bar rake, \$900; NH 320 sq. hay baler, \$3600. R. Coldiron, Jonesville; (318) 339-7876.

1990 MF 1010 trac., turf tires, 4' grooming mower, 4' box blade, \$6000. Randy Fontenot, Sunset; (337) 237-7675 or (337) 662-1136.

Wanted: old JD 450 dozer for parts and backhoe attachment for JD 450 dozer. Kevin Murphy, Folsom; (985) 796-9681.

Wanted: Vicon 310D hay fluffer, for parts. Pervis Leonard, Bell City; (337) 274-3801.

Wanted: various implements used w/Farmall 140. Jim Hufft, Belle Chasse; (504) 656-7202.

Wanted: 7' Bush Hog brand bush hog, 3 pt. or hydraulic. Pat LeDay, Ville Platte; (337) 781-9462.

Wanted: PTO post hole digger. Lawrence Cramer, Branch; (337) 783-4313.

Wanted: Oliver hi-crop trac., any size or cond. Thomas West, Calhoun, GA; days (706) 602-7501 or nights (706) 624-1878.

Wanted: JD equip. or LA mower wheel weights, parts etc., Magma trac. crawler & equip., small 3 pt. backhoe, '49 Dodge pickup. Edgar Fowler, Pineville; (318) 445-2977.

Wanted: Dunham 5' brush cutter, made in Minden, La. in the '60s & '70s for the gearbox & clutch manufactured by Dunham Mfg. co. Frank Rawls, Crossett, AR; (870)

Wanted: self-running hay wagon that holds 30 or 40 bales of hay. Joyce Gamble, Minden; (318) 377-6852.

Wanted: irrigation pump, 300-500 gpm, high head, PTO or other powered. Dwight Paulsen, Slidell; (504) 451-9025.



2002 Sierra GMC, V8, auto, towing, extra leaf in spring, 255x70-16 tires, 40,000 miles, bed liner & rails, \$13,000. Martin Bailey, Ville Platte; (337) 599-2865.

Truck tires, 11R 22.5, Budd & open rims, \$50/1; 8.25x20 & 1000x20, \$50/1; 5th wheel, \$75/1; 10-ton Tulsa winch, \$1250; 1-ton Ford rear end & 4 rims & tires, \$125/all. Robert Gravis, Thibodaux; (985) 633-9242.

1991 Ford F700 diesel truck, w/6 spd. trans., winch truck w/gin poles, rolling tail board, 112,000 miles, \$8900; 50-gal, round saddle

tank for fuel, \$35; 411 ring & pinion gear, to fit late model Z71, \$100. Morris Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

1982 Dodge pickup truck, great body, 318, runs good, no rust, \$1200; parts for Dodge 225 slant 6, \$125/all. Ben Brown, Basile; (337) 432-5870.

1982 W900 KW, 350 Cummins, 10 spd., 411 rears, ac/ps, new clutch, would make a good cane truck, \$7500. Dwight Frederick, Broussard; (318) 319-1187 or (318) 837-5583.

1972 Ford F-600, farm truck, w/good hydraulic dump & good 261 cu./in. motor, cab is rusted, \$750. Daniel Hardy, Iowa; (337) 582-3359.

1998 Nissan, 5 spd., 4x4, \$6500; '00 Ford Ranger, auto, 75,000 miles, \$8500; '86 Ranger, 4 cyl., 5 spd., \$500; '89 Jeep Cherokee, 4x4, \$1000; Ford diesel, w/auto trans., \$1000. Kelly Hundley, Crowley; (337) 788-0546.

1979 IH transtar cabover w/400 Cummins, 13 spd., \$3500. David Lyles, Baton Rouge; (225) 938-1843

1989 Int. 1900 series, crew, cab, DT 466 diesel engine, Allison automatic, w/service bed, \$8500. Dean Tyler, Pineville; (318) 442-8830.

1999 3/4-Ton truck, auto, air, nice, \$12,500. Buddy Lucky, Bossier City; (318) 453-7688.

1991 Pete w/unibuilt sleeper, alum. 24.5 Budds, nice, \$10,000. Ray Gremillion, Zachary; (225) 654-0616 or (225) 939-5711.

1993 Chevy truck bed, lwb, \$250. Rodney Buller, Ville Platte; (337) 363-3740.

Wanted: running or not 400 cu./in. Chevy, V8 engine or parts. Lawrence Daigle, Thibodaux; (985) 633-2530.



Dual tandem axle trailer, w/pintle ring hookup, air brakes, 8'4" wide, 20' bed, w/5'7" door tail, all steel, 12" "I" beam frame, \$2750. Neal West, Leesville; (337) 239-2694.

1980 2-horse in-line gooseneck, w/dressing room & feed boxes, in very good cond., 1350. Tom Jorden, Deville; (318) 442-5549.

Trailmobile 38' grain trailer, \$500. David Lyles, Baton Rouge; (225) 938-1843.

Cotton trailer, 7'6" wide, 24' long, all metal, good cond., for hay trailer, or nursery use, \$350. Nathan Johnson, Oakdale; (318) 748-8796.

Covered buckboard, single &

doubletree, good for parades, trade for show saddle, anything of value or \$1195. Jack Hughes, St. Francisville; (225) 634-5091 or (225) 721-0944.

2004 Homemade 6x22 heavyduty trailer, 95% complete, \$625. Wayne Schultz, Cheneyville; (318) 776-9429.

Horse or cattle trailer, 20', hard top, new treated floor, \$2500; 20' cattle trailer, good cond., \$2000. Frank Singletary, Pitkin; (337) 328-8277.

Cotton trailer, 40'x8'x6", good cond., \$475; 1000-gal. A. A. tank on trailer, \$395. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania; (318) 552-6265.

2003 S & H 16" stock trailer, \$4350; (3) seat Amish wagon, w/car tires, hyd. brakes, 3 yr. paint geld., rides & pulls w/harness, \$4000. Sarah Meche, Church Point; (337) 873-4041.

3 Seat wh. carriage, red, velvet seats, blk. fold-down top, used for weddings, blk. shinny harness, 6 yr. reg. TW geld. rides & pulls, \$7000. Allen Thomas, Maurice; (337) 523-9846.

Aluminum 2-horse bumper pull trailer, build for Warmbloods, hardly used, like new, \$6500 obo. V. Ernst, Ponchatoula; (985) 386-8637.

2003 Dreamcoach 2-horse alum. weekend quarters, rear tack, cabinets, made out of Spanish cedar, ac/heat, microwave, custom mattress, one of a kind trailer, \$18,000. Donna Cornwell, Hammond; (985) 419-0920.

Gooseneck horse/wagon trailer, 24'x6'8", front 9' enclosed w/cabinets, & bed in nose, back 18' open for vehicles, back/side entry, elec. winch, \$5000. Gary Wimberly, Walker; (225) 664-7372.

2-Seater antique wicker carriage, \$2000; unique horse-drawn hears, \$4000; passenger wagons w/top, carry 20-25 people, \$2500-\$3500. G. Wimberly, Walker; (225) 664-7372.

1994 Sundowner gooseneck horse trailer w/living quarters, tack room, cabinets, water tank, \$7995 nego. Harold Green, Breaux Bridge; (337) 332-5595 or (337) 332-4195.

2000 Merritt hopper bottom grain trailer, 42'x96"x68", permanent vibrators, air ride w/95% tires & brakes, excel. cond., \$19,000. Ed Blackwell, Bogalusa; (985) 516-4658.

2004 25' flatbed w/dovetail & ramps, \$3600; 2003 20' stock trailer w/tarp, \$4500. Donald Richardson, Natchitoches; (318) 357-1502 or (318) 727-8754.

12 Single axle tilt utility trailer, \$300. Eugene Wing, Sulphur; (337) 528-9393.

20' Low-boy trailer, 6'10" inside, 6000 lb. axles, elec. brakes

in both axles, 16" rims, 12 ply tires, like new, bumper pull, \$2700. Loyton Courville, Sunset; (337) 662-3758.

1984 Hillsboro 20'x7' gooseneck livestock trailer, alum. body, steel frame, 8000 lb. axles, 10-ply Michelin radial tires, new lights, \$3000. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer; (318) 563-8478.

1997 Merrit aluminum hopper, tri axle, 1350 bushel cap., like new, \$17,000; 45' storage trailers, good tires & landing gear, \$600-\$1000. Ray Gremillion, Zachary; (225) 654-0616 or (225) 939-5711.

45' Wilkens walking floor trailer, good cond., \$25,000; '94 Great Dane dry box van trailers, good cond, \$3750; 53' dry box van trailer, \$4500; Chancey 30-ton lowboy. Dean Tyler, Pineville; (318) 442-8830.

Wanted: used stock or horse trailer, bumper pull, 6' wide or larger. Roger DuCote, Glynn; (225) 627-4881.



200 AMP Lincoln welding machine, w/leads & trailer, '81 model, \$1800. Buddy Young, Sulphur; (337) 309-1660 or (337) 855-6726.

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Wanted: old sugar or syrup kettles, any size. Steven, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

Wanted: sugar kettle or syrup kettle, any size. Becky Champagne, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.



The National Red River Western Festival will be held July 15-18 at the Fairgrounds in Shreveport. There will be Western & film merchants, Western music jamboree, Western art, a chuck wagon cook-off, trail rides, stage-coach rides and much more. Special multi-day passes, group rates available. For more information, visit www.redriverwesternfestival.com or call (318) 798-3014.

Other Fairs & Festivals: Cajun French Music & Food Festival, Lake Charles, July 17-18; Louisiana Watermelon Festival, Farmerville, July 30-31.

The Horseman Association of Southwest Louisiana is seeking new members. The club is based in Abbeville. We would like to invite you to come and join our organization. If you are interested, join us Saturday, 6 p.m., at the Old Dairy Festival Barn, 2901 Old Erath Road. For more information, call (337) 893-9647 or (337) 212-0544.

Volunteers help in environmental research project

BOSSIER CITY - LSU AgCenter Master Gardener volunteers recently took a small part in a research project that could someday help to reduce water pollution.

Members of the LSU AgCenter's Northwest Louisiana Master Gardeners program helped transplant native aquatic plants into a "constructed wetland" located at the Ag Center's Red River Research Station near Bossier City. The artificially constructed wetland, which is about 3 acres in size and ranges up to about 18 inches deep, is part of a study to see whether such an environment can be used to help reduce water pollution.

"Water from the station will filter through that artificial wetland before it runs into the nearby Flat River," said Denyse Cummins, an LSU AgCenter area horticulturist who works with the Master Gardeners. "Hopefully, this will make the runoff cleaner before it enters the river."

The LSU AgCenter researchers working on the larger wetlands project are studying how constructed wetlands can improve water quality. While farmers already have adopted conservation tillage and other practices to preserve water quality, researchers say they are looking for even more practices that could protect these precious natural resources.

"One such practice is the use of a constructed wetland, because it has long been known that the biological and physical properties of natural wetlands are beneficial in improving water," said Dr. Eddie Millhollon, an LSU AgCenter researcher at the Red River Research Station. "The specific goal of this project is to show how using natural resources, such as a wetland, can improve the water coming off agricultural land."

Nonpoint-source pollutants - or water pollution that comes from undetermined sources - have been cited as a major cause of impairment of waterways in the Red River Basin.

Millhollon and Jim Rabb, the leaders of the research project, rounded up nearly \$1 million in federal and state funds for the cooperative study by the LSU AgCenter and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality. They are looking to see if the constructed wetland improves water quality by reducing nutrients, sediments and pesticides in runoff water.

The study is being done on more than 400 acres of agricultural land at the LSU AgCenter's Red River Research Station and is expected to be completed in December 2005.

This is the first time members of the LSU AgCenter's Northwest Louisiana Master Gardener Program have participated in such research. Cummins said this work is an example of the education participants receive in the program.

"This also is one example of their interest in assisting with an environmental program," Cummins said. "It also fulfills the mission of Master Gardener volunteers, which is to assist the LSU AgCenter in its quest to improve the lives of everyone living in Louisiana."

The Louisiana Master Gardener Program is a service and educational activity offered by the LSU AgCenter's Cooperative Extension Service, said Bob Souvestre, head of the LSU AgCenter's Master Gardener program.

"This program is designed to recruit and train volunteers to help meet the educational needs of home gardeners while providing an enjoyable and worthwhile service experience for volunteers," Souvestre said. "It also provides invaluable training and educational opportunities."

The program is open to all and is offered by the LSU AgCenter in an increasing number of parishes across the state.

"Experienced and beginning gardeners seeking up-to-date horticultural information can advance their gardening expertise and gain self-satisfaction through taking part in the Master Gardener program," Souvestre explained, stressing that education for the volunteers is one aspect of the program.

"Then the volunteer aspect of the Master Gardener program allows individuals to dedicate their time and talents to enhance the quality of life for citizens of their community by using the science and art of horticulture," he said, adding, "It allows individuals to put into practice what they know and learn."

For more information on the LSU AgCenter's Master Gardener Program or the variety of LSU AgCenter programs offered in your area, contact your parish LSU AgCenter office or go to www.lsuagcenter.com.



LSU AgCenter horticulturist Denyse Cummins (left) plants aquatic vegetation along the banks of an experimental "constructed "wetland," designed to determine if water filtering through a wetland of this configuration will be cleansed of nutrients, sediments and pesticides before flowing into a nearby stream. Volunteers, (right) assist Cummins with the plantings.





Blueberry Chutney

ed & washed, or frozen blueber- 1/3 cup cider vinegar ries without sugar

1/4 cup chopped onion

1 tbsp. grated fresh gingerroot

1 1/2 pints fresh blueberries, sort- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar

1 tbsp. cornstarch 1/4 tbsp. salt

1 (3 inch) cinnamon stick

In large saucepan, combine all ingredients. Bring mixture to boil, over medium heat, stirring frequently. Boil 1 minute. Remove cinnamon stick, Cool. Cover, refrigerate. Serve as a condiment with meats and cheese. (If fresh gingerroot is not available dried ground ginger can be used, but changes the flavor.)

Fruit with Amaretto Cream

1 1/2 tbsps. Amaretto liqueur

2 tbsps. packed dark brown sugar

1/2 cup sour cream

2 cups fresh blueberries

In small mixing bowl combine Amaretto and brown sugar. Add sour cream and mix well. Prepare at least 2 hours before serving. Stir occasionally to dissolve brown sugar. Put blueberries into sherbert glasses or small soufflé dishes. Drizzle with sauce. Serves 4.

Fruit Bowl

2 cups watermelon cubes

2 cups strawberries, hulled

2 cups cantaloupe cubes

2 cups fresh blueberries

2 cups seedless green grapes

MANDARIN DRESSING

1 tsp. grated orange rind 1 cup mayonnaise 1 cup marshmallow cream 1 tsp. grated fresh root ginger

Combine all ingredients in a medium bowl, stirring gently. Yield: 2 cups.

Blueberry Coffee Cake

4 tbsps. unsalted butter

2 cups flour

2 1/2 tsps. baking powder

1/2 tsp. salt

3/4 cup milk 2/3 cup sugar 2 large eggs (or 3 egg whites)

2 cups fresh blueberries or 16 oz.

Topping: 2 tbsps. sugar, mixed with 1/4 tsp. nutmeg

1/2 cup pecans, chopped

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Grease 8 or 9 inch square glass baking dish. Melt butter and let cool. Mix flour, baking powder and salt, and set aside. Add milk, sugar and eggs to butter and whisk to blend. Add flour mixture; blend well. Fold in blueberries (If frozen: DO NOT THAW OR RINSE) Spread batter in dish. Sprinkle with sugar/nutmeg topping and top with nuts. Bake approximately 45 to 60 minutes.

Fruit Pizza

1 (17 oz) package "slice and bake" sugar cookies

2 cups thawed whipped topping

1 cup sour cream

4 cups assorted fresh fruit, sliced (peaches, strawberries, kiwi, blueberries)

Cut cookie dough into 1/2 inch slices. Arrange slices, slightly overlapping on foil lined 14 inch pizza pan. Press edge to seal. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes Cool. Fold whipped topping into sour cream. Spread over crust. Arrange fruit on whipped topping mixture. Chill and cut into wedges.

Blueberry Tea Cake

3 tbsps. shortening 1 cup sugar

2 eggs 2/3 cup milk 1 3/4 cups flour

3 tsps. baking powder

1 1/2 cups blueberries, washed & drained

Mix shortening, sugar, eggs and milk. Add flour and baking powder. Fold in blueberries. Bake in greased pan for 25 minutes at 375 degrees.

Ice Cream Blueberry Muffins

1 1/2 cup self-rising flour

2 cups vanilla ice cream, melted

1 1/2 cup blueberries

Sift flour into melted ice cream until all the flour is dissolved. Add blueberries, fold in gently. Pour into greased baking muffin tins. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

Coming Your Way

The Horseman Association of Southwest Louisiana has a team calf sorting event July 10 beginning at 5 p.m. with the children's practice run at the old Dairy Festival Barn on Erath Road in Abbeville.

Adult registration begins at 6 p.m.

Single or team riders and all skill levels are welcome. A current Coggins test is required for all participants.

On July 17, the group will host a family "Anything Goes" event at 4 p.m. at the old Dairy Festival Barn. Admission is \$2. Children 12 and under get in free. Prizes will be awarded.

On July 25, the group will host a barbecue chicken dinner at the barn. Meals are \$5 per plate and can be picked up from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. For tickets, contact Karen or Pat at (337) 652-3627.

For more information about the

Horseman Assocation and its events, contact Valerie at (337) 212-0544.

Calcasieu Horseman's Club will host open horse shows at 8 a.m. July 10 and Aug. 7 at Burton Coliseum in Lake Charles.

Participants will be able to take part in more than 40 judged events and nine speed events. Year-end awards will be presented.

For more information, contact Marie Hannie at (337) 477-6997.

Silver Spur Riders Club will host open horse shows beginning at 8 a.m. July 24 and Aug. 28 at Burton Coliseum in Lake Charles.

Classes will include halter, English, Western, judged and speed.

For more information, contact Renee Jordan at (337) 855-3279 or Bonny Vincent at (337) 598-2498.

Louisiana Junior Show Circuit will host shows July 10 in Coushatta, July 17 in Delhi, July

24-25 in Shreveport, July 31 in Gonzales and August 7-8 in Lake

The competition is open to students age 9-19 showing pigs, lambs or goats.

Points will be given at each show and winners will receive awards at the annual banquet in September.

Membership is \$10.

For more information, contact Carla Guillory at (337) 478-8461 or visit www.ljsc.org.



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Ariz. horse mystery solved

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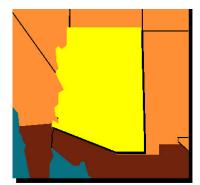
A series of alarming horse-slashings throughout last summer at one of Tucson's most famous guest ranches has finally been solved.

Not a crazed and cruel human animal abuser, as sheriff's deputies and local horse owners at first feared.

To almost everyone's relief and astonishment, the slasher has instead turned out to be one of their own - an especially aggressive horse corralled with the injured equines at the historic Tanque Verde Guest Ranch at the end of East Speedway.

At least 20 ranch horses suffered strangely similar gashes under the throat - wounds described by investigators as "jagged" and running 1 to 4 inches long and about an inch deep - from July through September of last year.

Because the wounds were always in the same place - near the vital jugular vein - and always happened late at night, authorities concluded the slashings were most likely human-caused, deliberate and possibly attempts to kill the horses.



The case was turned over to the Animal Cruelty Taskforce of Southern Arizona and a \$3,500 reward was offered for any tip leading to the arrest of the slasher. But no arrest was made and no reward paid.

The case was cracked when a guest ranch employee finally caught a horse in the act of biting another in the throat, according to friends of the ranch owner, Bob Cote. When the culprit equine was isolated in another corral, the slashings ceased, and the case was

Confirming the case was no longer under investigation, sheriff's spokesman Dawn Barkman said, "We don't have absolute concrete proof it was another horse.

"But when a suspect horse was taken away from the immediate area and the attacks virtually stopped, that is the logical conclusion. So, based on our information, there does not appear to be a human horse abuser out there."

Calling that "great news" for all horse owners, a Tucson horse expert said the repeated pattern of the bites is abnormal horse behavior but can be explained

"A repeated bite in that location is an aggressive bite. Most likely this is just a mean horse," said Jerry Hamilton, manager for the nationally known Al-Marah Arabians breeding farm in Tucson.

"The horse was doing it when no one else was there to stop him. And he got ahold of the most vulnerable place - the throat. He knows the horse can't bite him back or even turn around to kick him."

Hamilton said he does not believe this, or any other horse, was "born mean" but probably acquired aggressive habits as a young horse penned in a space crowded with other horses.

"That's how he learned to protect himself under conditions like that," Hamilton said.



Concrete art, continued from page 12

The pool, artificially heated and cooled, has a massive concrete bottom more than 12 inches thick. Remarkably, the foundation was fabricated in a single pour that took seven cement trucks.

Black then constructed a frame of rebar, galvanized hardware cloth and wire mesh and began shaping the stucco mix to resemble a patch of swampland woods.

"I've used four palettes of mason mix and Portland cement," said

Unbelievably, the entire sculpture was molded with putty knives.

Shaking his head at the thought, Black said he and his protege,

Bruce Hilliard, used six-inch putty knives to apply the thick stucco mix to the large areas and fashioned the tiny detail with three-inch blades.

There was no set plan or design in mind when Black undertook the

"I gave them a conceptual sketch, but we pretty much winged it as we went along. The island grew during the creative process and the nutria guys and other little animals came out of that."

It took Black about eight months to complete and paint the sculpture.

Black's artificial pond habitat creation is home to several rescued 125-year-old alligator snappers and a variety of native fish species including catfish, garfish and the much-maligned choupique, or gren-

Black said that although concrete may seem to be an unusual choice for a piece of sculpture, it was once commonly used in the 1930s for Works Progress Administration art projects.

"Today, there's a growing amount of concrete sculpture being done. Disney has used a lot of it and there's a lot of it in Los Vegas. It's theme park type stuff. I'm doing more in residential areas where people want waterfalls and pools and backyard oases types of things."

Black said his concrete pieces should survive the test of time.

"The Romans used a lime based plaster in their structures 2,000 years ago and those buildings are still standing today," Black said. "The mix I use is ten times stronger than that."

To see examples of Black's work, go to www.rockmyworld.net.

Kentucky bans Texas livestock

Kentucky State Veterinarian Dr. Robert Stout banned all livestock, wild or exotic animals from Texas ast month from entering Kentucky because of reports of vesicular stomatitis found in horses in west Texas.

The order also prohibits the entry into Kentucky of any such animals that have been in Texas in the previous 30 days. It requires equine coming into Kentucky from states that border Texas to have a negative vesicular stomatitis test within the 30-day period preceding its entry into the Commonwealth.



"State regulations prohibit the entry into Kentucky of livestock, wild or exotic animals from a state where vesicular stomatitis has been diagnosed," Dr. Stout said. "VS does not pose a danger to the food supply, but it can cause animals to suffer temporary lameness or stop eating because of sores on the mouth, and it is believed to cause flu-like symptoms in humans."

The disease was diagnosed in three horses on a ranch in Reeves County, Texas, about 300 miles southeast of El Paso. The National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa, confirmed the diagnosis in early June.



Black's concrete gator



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You can't keep a true artist down. What started as stucco repair work on an antebellum plantation has morphed into a career of larger-than-life alligators, cranes, wading pools and the facade of his house; all in concrete.

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culptors say it's easy to carve an alligator statue out of a block of marble.

"You just take a block of marble and chip away everything that doesn't look like an alligator," they say.

It's different for concrete sculptor Craig Black when he transforms a sack of readi-mix into a Louisiana alligator, swamp bird or snapping turtle for one of his larger-than-life sculptures.

Black recently finished a massive 50- by 20-foot sculpted and painted pond enclosure for the alligator snapping turtle exhibit at Alligator Bayou, a popular Baton Rouge eco-tourism destination.

Although concrete is not Black's preferred medium of expression, he also paints, it is one he has become well acquainted with as the primary caretaker of the venerable Houmas House Plantation home in Darrow.

The Houmas House exterior is stucco and Black estimated that he recovered the entire house several times over doing repairs to the concrete finish during his 20-year stint at the plantation home.

"I've been working with stucco as a sculptor for more than ten years," explained Black. "I re-did all the stucco at Houmas House. That got me used to the material, and with an artist, any medium that comes into your hands becomes a tool."

It's not concrete, but a combination of several blends of building materials.

"It's not readi-mix," Black said. "It's actually a mix of masonry mix, portland cement, sand and concrete bonder."

Black's pond monument at Alligator Bayou features a water-spouting, flying blue heron coasting over a sculpted wall of simulated cypress trees, cypress knees and earthen bayou banks. In the center of the pool is a molded island filled with sand to encourage the snappers to lay eggs. On the opposite end of the pond, a concrete eagle sits like a sentinel, stoically watching over the aquatic life. Here and there a possum or raccoon peer over the edge of the brightly painted wall as several chiseled nutrias crawl onto the island.

Sun detail from artist Craig Black's Gonzales home (above)

Frank Bonifay and Jim Ragland, owners of Alligator Bayou, sought out Black as the artist who could convey their message of preservation and conservation through sculpture.

"We liquidated \$4 million in assets to buy this land to preserve for our future generations," Bonifay said.
"But it's not about money. We wanted to build a habitat for Louisiana wildlife, but we wanted to do it right.

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"We chose Craig because he is in tune with our beliefs. We love this land and it's about preserving it during the little bit of time we are on this earth. He knows what our vision for the land is."

Since most of Black's work is done in backyards, the only public place to view his completed work is at Alligator Bayou. However, Black is currently transforming a small cinder block home on La. 44 in Gonzales into another artistic concrete achievement. He calls it "sculpting his house."

Indeed from concrete (below).

Black advises "wait until he adds the color" to his sculpted house (below left).

At the roof-line peak of Black's so-called sculpted house a casual looking sun is adjusting its sunglasses as it beams down life upon the world below. It is a work in progress that is yet to be painted, but sure to create a visual stir when completed.

"It's been a lot of fun creating this," Black said. "But wait until I've painted it."

In addition to the alligator snapping turtle exhibit at Alligator Bayou, the 1400-acre estate also features swamp tours, canoe rentals, eight acres of alligator habitat and an old-growth forest.

But the first-time visitor is visually struck by the impressive and colorful pond enclosure.

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artist Craig Black's **Gonzales** home **Black** (above). mixes cement for (right). sculpting Jim Ragland and Bonifay, owners of Alligator Bayou near Baton Rouge, stand with Black by the alligator snapping turtle pond Black fashioned from concrete (below). **Black** advises "wait until his sculpted house (below left).



